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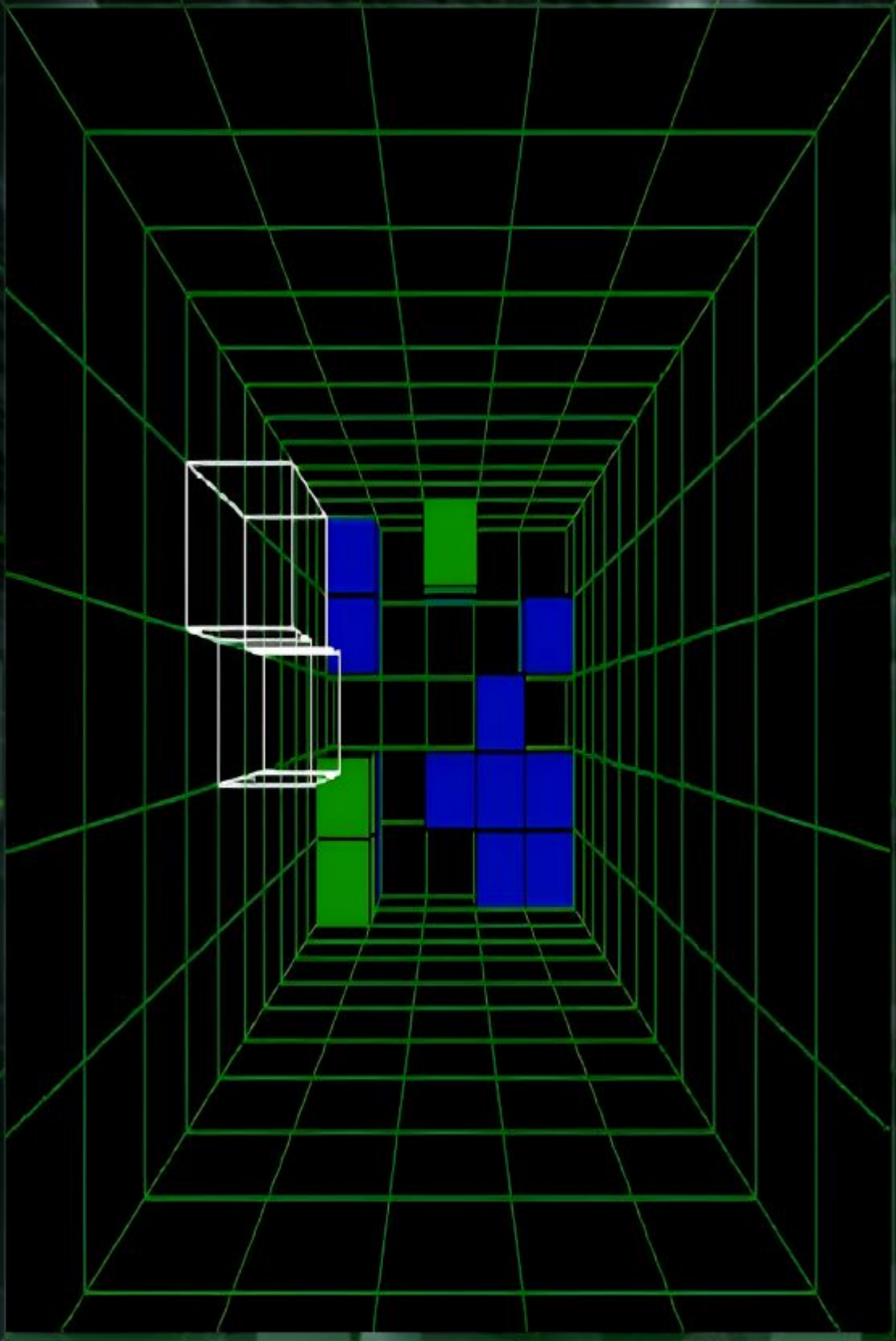

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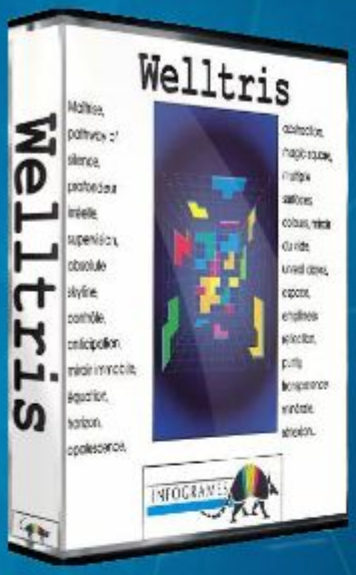


"Welltris" is a unique puzzle video game released in 1989 as a variant of the classic "Tetris" game.

It was developed by Belorussiya and published by companies including Spectrum Holobyte.

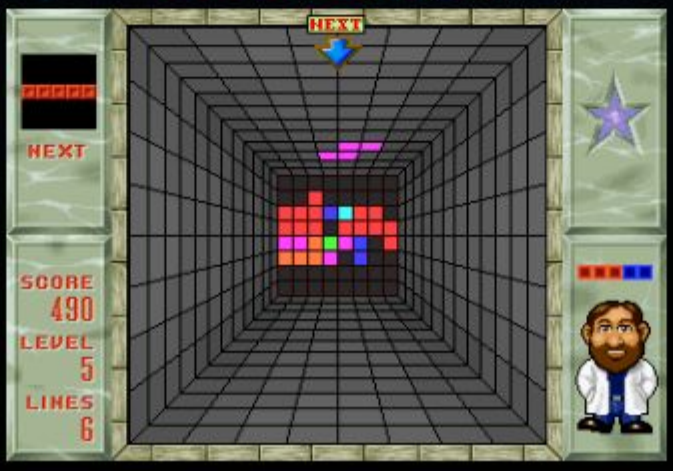
Unlike the traditional Tetris format, where blocks fall from the top of the screen, Welltris offers a three-dimensional perspective and a different gameplay dynamic.

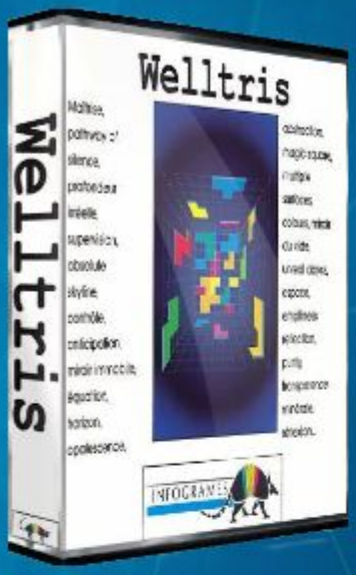
The game is played in a well-like structure hence the name "Welltris."

Players view the action from above controlling falling tetrominoes that descend into a well-shaped pit.

Players aim to fit the falling shapes (tetrominoes) into the well, similar to classic Tetris.

However, they must manage the depth of the well and the blocks' placement in three dimensions which adds a new layer of challenge.





The objective remains the same: create full lines to clear them and score points.

Clearing lines in Welltris can involve strategic placement, as the depth of the well affects how pieces fit together.

Welltris" includes a multiplayer mode where players can challenge each other, adding to its replay value.

"Welltris" featured colorful graphics and simple but engaging sound effects.

The visual style reflects the late 1980s aesthetic of arcade and home computer games.

Originally released on various platforms including MS-DOS/Amiga/ and the Atari ST "Welltris" found its way to multiple computing systems in the late '80s and early '90s.

"Welltris" received mixed reviews, with players appreciating its innovative twist on the classic Tetris formula but noting that it might not have the same appeal as the original Tetris due to increased complexity and the learning curve associated with mastering the 3D perspective.

The F.E.A.R.

First Encounter Assault Recon video game series developed by Monolith Productions and published by Sierra Entertainment and later by Warner Bros Interactive Entertainment is known for its unique blend of horror and first-person shooter gameplay.

The original game was released in 2005 and quickly gained a reputation for its intense atmosphere supernatural elements and AI-driven enemies.

F.E.A.R. (2005): The original game follows the story of a special forces unit responding to a supernatural threat involving a young girl named Alma Wade who possesses telekinetic and psychic powers.

The F.E.A.R.(First Encounter Assault Recon)

The game's first-person shooter mechanics are complemented by a horror atmosphere, featuring unsettling sound design and jump scares.

The AI of enemy soldiers is sophisticated allowing them to take cover flank and employ tactical maneuvers adding to the challenge.

F.E.A.R. 2: Project Origin (2009)

This sequel takes place after the events of the first game and introduces a new protagonist, Michael Becket, who is an officer investigating the strange occurrences linked to Alma.

The F.E.A.R. is a great game with unique story pulls the player in and F.E.A.R. 2: Project Origin continues while explaining the events of the first game.

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"Road Blasters" is a classic arcade racing game developed by Atari Games and initially released in 1987. The game is a vehicular combat title that combines racing mechanics with elements of shooting and obstacle dodging.

Players control a car equipped with a machine gun and must race against time while defeating enemy vehicles and avoiding obstacles.

The goal is to reach checkpoints before time runs out while collecting points and fuel along the way.

The game simulates a driving experience, featuring a steering wheel and pedals for acceleration and braking.

Players maneuver their car to navigate through a variety of environments, ranging from deserts to urban settings.

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For its time, "Road Blasters" featured colorful graphics and innovative use of scaling sprites to create the illusion of 3D.

The soundtrack and sound effects added to the excitement of the high-speed racing and combat.

Road Blaster is a fun arcade to play and a classic arcade driver shooter.

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"Clock Tower" is a survival horror video game series that is known for its unique gameplay mechanics and chilling atmosphere. The franchise began with the original "Clock Tower" game, released for the Super Nintendo Entertainment System (SNES) in 1995 by Human Entertainment.

The series is notable for its psychological horror elements and point-and-click gameplay.

Clock Tower (1995)The original game follows a young girl named Jennifer Simpson, who escapes from a mental institution and finds herself in a creepy mansion filled with puzzles and dangers.

The game introduces players to a unique "panic" system, where the player can experience fear and panic, affecting their ability to solve puzzles and navigate through the environment.

"Clock Tower"

One of the game's most famous features is the relentless pursuit by the game's antagonist, Scissor-man, a deformed killer armed with large scissors.

Silent Heaven (1996): This sequel, known as "Clock Tower: The First Fear" in Japan, shifted its gameplay style and introduced new characters and scenarios.

It continued to utilize horror elements while exploring new story-lines and settings.

Clock Tower 3 (2002)Developed by Capcom, this installment features a new protagonist named Alyssa who can interact more dynamically with the environment and evade enemies with a combination of stealth and action elements.

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"Clock Tower"

The game retains the franchise's signature horror atmosphere while introducing newer gameplay mechanics.

The "Clock Tower" series is influential in the survival horror genre, particularly noted for its emphasis on psychological horror rather than relying solely on jump scares.

The series has garnered a cult following among horror game enthusiasts, and its designs and themes have inspired later horror titles.

The franchise is often referenced in discussions of horror games and has been cited as an influence on the genre, especially in how it handles tension and psychological horror.

"Usagi Yojimbo" is an action-adventure video game based on the popular comic book series created by Stan Sakai.

The game was released in 1988 for the Commodore 64 (C64) by Firebird Software.

It is noteworthy for being an early adaptation of Sakai's beloved samurai rabbit character, Miyamoto Usagi, who navigates through a world filled with various enemies and challenges.

The game features side-scrolling action where players control Usagi as he battles enemies, avoids obstacles, and interacts with characters from the comic series.

Players must navigate levels set in a Japanese-inspired environment, combatting foes using a variety of attacks and strategies.

The main goal is to complete missions that often involve defeating enemies, collecting items, and overcoming platforming challenges.

Each level may present different goals and tasks that align with themes found in the comic series.

For its time, the game utilized graphics characteristic of C64 titles, featuring stylized sprites and backgrounds that conveyed the comic's artistic style.

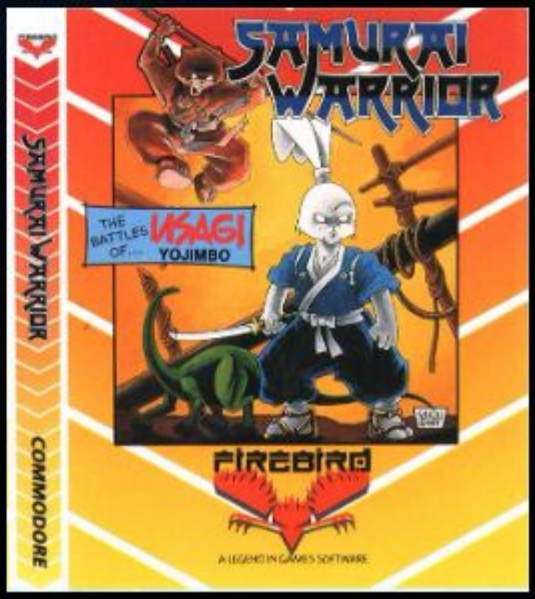
The game's sound and music complemented the action, enhancing the overall atmosphere.

While "Usagi Yojimbo" for the C64 might not have achieved widespread fame, it is appreciated by fans of the comic series and retro gaming enthusiasts for its unique premise and connection to Stan Sakai's work.

Despite being a lesser-known title, "Usagi Yojimbo" carved a niche for itself among video games based on comic book properties.

The character of Usagi Yojimbo continues to thrive in various media, and the comic series itself has received critical acclaim and numerous awards.

The game is a notable example of early video game adaptations of comic book characters and reflects the cultural blend of video gaming and comic storytelling prevalent in the late 1980s.



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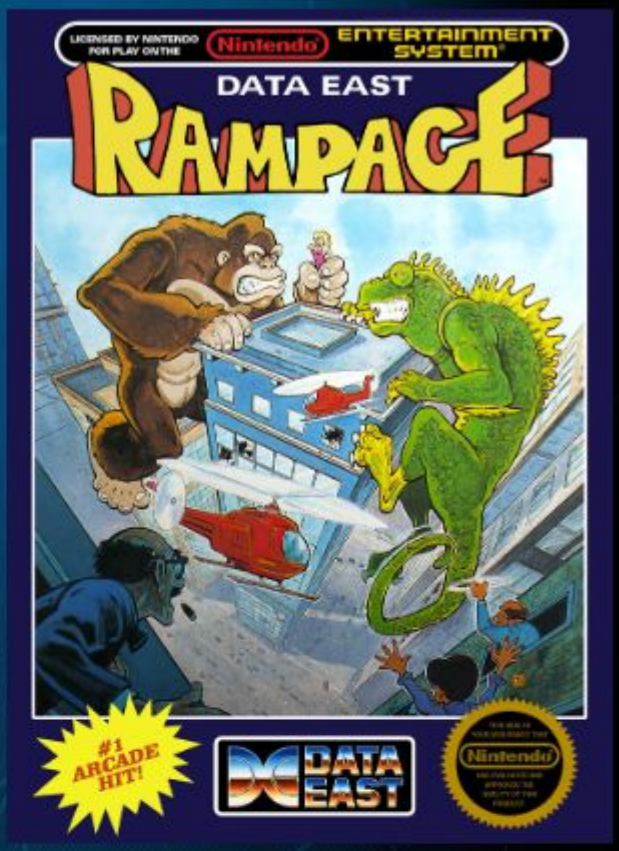
"Rampage" is a classic arcade video game developed by Midway Games and first released in 1986.



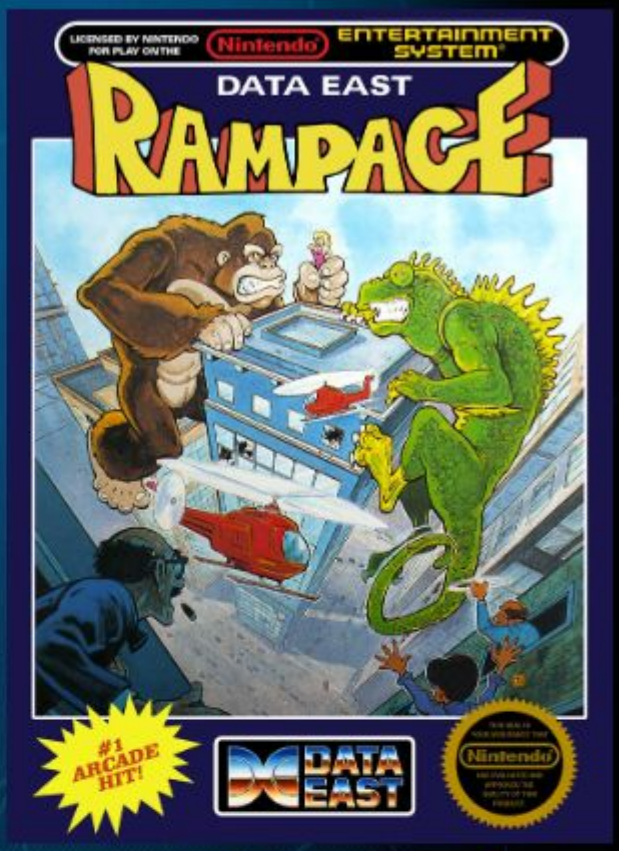
The game gained immense popularity for its unique premise and engaging gameplay, which features giant monsters causing destruction in urban environments.

It has since spawned multiple sequels and adaptations across various platforms.

Players can choose to control one of three giant monsters: George (a King Kong-like ape), Lizzie (a Godzilla-like lizard), or Ralph (a werewolf).

The primary objective is to destroy buildings, defeat the military, and consume humans while avoiding various hazards.

Players can climb buildings, smash through walls, and interact with the environment in chaotic and entertaining ways.



The gameplay is straightforward and arcade-like: players navigate through various cities, primarily in the U.S., and use attacks to cause as much destruction as possible within a time limit.

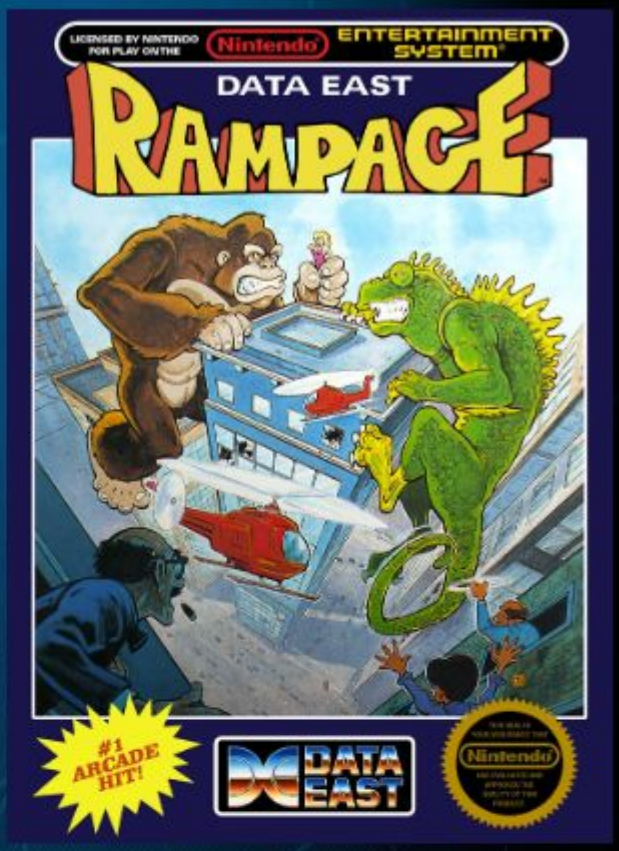
As they wreak havoc, players can also earn points by eating humans and destroying military forces that try to thwart their destruction.

- Each monster has its own unique animations and abilities when destroying buildings and attacking enemies.

The game's graphics were colorful and cartoonish, fitting the humorous and over-the-top theme of the gameplay.

The sound effects and music contributed to the fun atmosphere, with distinctive sounds for monster attacks and destruction.

"Rampage" was a commercial success, leading to its placement in countless arcades during the late 1980s and early '90s.



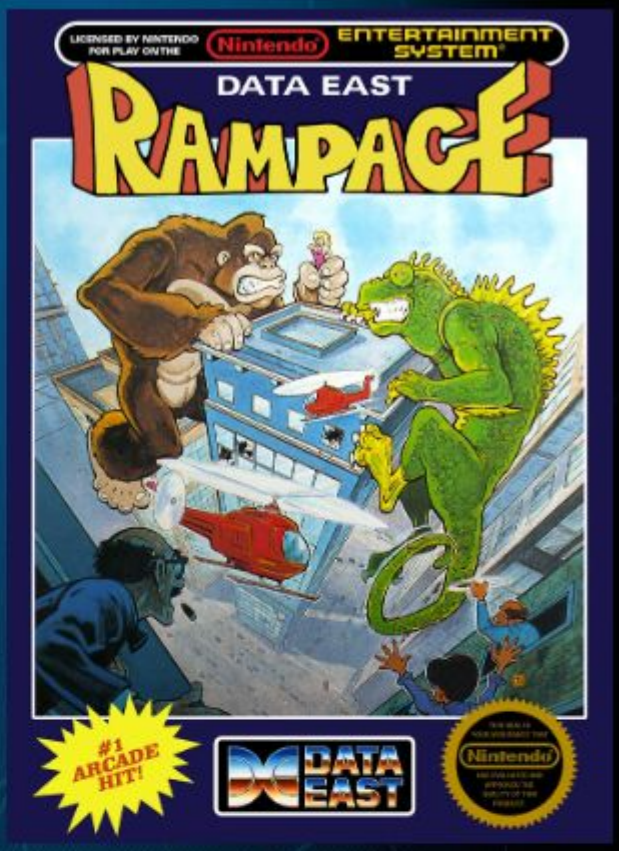
Its unique concept of playing as a monster and causing widespread chaos appealed to many players, making it a memorable part of arcade history.

Due to its popularity, "Rampage" spawned several sequels, including "Rampage World Tour" (1997), "Rampage 2: Universal Tour" (1999), and "Rampage: Total Destruction" (2006), with each iteration incorporating new features and enhanced graphics.

The franchise was also adapted into a feature film in 2018, starring Dwayne "The Rock" Johnson, further highlighting the game's cultural impact.

"Rampage" holds a special place in gaming history due to its innovative gameplay, fun premise, and the emergence of cooperative multiplayer gameplay, where players can team up to create chaos together.

It remains a beloved classic and is often revisited by fans of retro gaming.



"Quake III Arena" is a first-person shooter video game developed by id Software and released in December 1999.

It is part of the Quake series and is often credited with popularizing competitive multiplayer gameplay, particularly in the realm of online gaming.

- "Quake III Arena" is primarily focused on multiplayer gameplay, featuring fast-paced action and various competitive modes.

- Players can choose from a roster of characters, known as "heroes," each with unique designs but no special abilities that affect gameplay.

Key gameplay modes include Deathwatch, Team Deathwatch, Capture the Flag, and others, allowing for various styles of multiplayer encounters.

The game is known for its tight controls and emphasis on movement, including techniques like strafe-jumping and rocket-jumping, which allow skilled players to achieve high speeds and navigate levels with agility.

- A wide array of weapons is available, including machine guns, shotguns, rail-guns, and rocket launchers, each with a distinctive feel and tactical use.

"Quake III Arena" showcased advanced graphics for its time, utilizing the Quake III Arena engine, which provided detailed textures, real-time lighting, and smooth animations.

The game's sound design contributed to the immersive experience, with impactful sound effects for weapons and character movements.

While primarily a multiplayer game, "Quake III Arena" features a single-player mode where players can compete against AI-controlled bots.

The bot AI can be adjusted in difficulty, allowing for practice and skill development.

The game has a strong modding community, with many user-created maps and mods that extend the game's lifespan.

"Quake III Arena" is also known for its support for custom content, including skins, models, and new game modes.

"Quake III Arena" is often regarded as one of the best multiplayer shooters of all time and has a lasting impact on the genre.

It has been influential in shaping competitive gaming and e Sports.

It laid the groundwork for future games in the genre and inspired many developers in the years following its release.

The game's mechanics and design principles continue to be referenced and emulated in contemporary first-person shooters.

The game became a staple in competitive gaming and e Sports, with numerous tournaments held during its peak popularity, attracting professional players and large audiences.

"Quake III Arena" is remembered for its fast-paced gameplay, advanced technology for its time, and contributions to online multiplayer gaming.

It has influenced countless shooters that followed, establishing best practices for competitive play.

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"Slap Fight" is a vertically scrolling shooter arcade game developed by Toaplan and originally released in 1986.

It is known for its engaging gameplay and unique mechanics that set it apart from other shooters of its time.

Players control a customizable aircraft called the "A.S.H." (Advanced Slap Fighter) as they navigate through various levels filled with enemies, obstacles, and challenging bosses.

The main objective is to defeat enemy formations and avoid incoming fire while progressing through each stage.

One of the key features of "Slap Fight" is the "weapon upgrade" system.

Players can collect power-ups during gameplay to enhance their firepower and abilities.

The enhancements can change the type and spread of the weapon fire, allowing for different play styles.

The game also features a "power-up" system where collecting certain items can give players additional "slap" capabilities, temporarily allowing them to engage in close-range combat with enemies.

"Slap Fight" features colorful sprite graphics typical of the era, with detailed backgrounds and engaging enemy designs.

- The sound design includes catchy tunes and sound effects that enhance the overall gameplay experience.

Upon its release, "Slap Fight" was well-received in arcades and gained popularity for its fun and addictive gameplay.

The game spawned a sequel titled "Slap Fight MD," which was released for the Sega Mega Drive/Genesis in 1991, introducing new features and expanded gameplay mechanics.

"Slap Fight" holds a special place in the history of scrolling shooters, recognized for its unique weapon system and engaging gameplay.

It has inspired later shooter games by implementing weapon customization and upgrades, concepts that would become more common in the genre.

The original game has been included in various compilations and emulated collections, allowing newer audiences to experience its gameplay.

It has also been made available on digital platforms for retro gaming enthusiasts.

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"Kessen" is a series of real-time strategy and tactical video games developed by Koei (now known as Koei Tecmo) that focuses on epic battles during the Warring States period of Japan.

The first game in the series was released for the PlayStation 2 in 2000.

The title translates to "decisive battle," and the games emphasize large-scale battles and historical figures from Japanese history, especially during the late 15th to early 17th centuries.

Real-Time Battle System**: Players command armies in real-time strategic combat, issuing orders to units and managing resources.

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The game often features famous historical characters such as Oda Nobunaga, Toyotomi Hideyoshi, and Tokugawa Ieyasu, and players can engage in battles that were crucial to the unification of Japan.

Each game typically has a story mode focused on a key historical figure or faction, presenting a narrative that unfolds through battles and cut scenes.

The "Kessen" series received generally positive reviews for its engaging story and well-designed battle systems, although some critics noted a steep learning curve.

The unique blend of tactical gameplay and historical storytelling has made it a notable franchise among fans of strategy games.

PlayStation 2

"JoJo's Bizarre Adventure" is a long-running manga and anime series created by Hirohiko Araki, and it has inspired a variety of video games across multiple platforms.

The games often draw from the different arcs and characters of the series, combining unique storytelling with various gameplay styles.

Here are some of the notable titles in the "JoJo's Bizarre Adventure" video game franchise:

This was the first fighting game based on the series, featuring characters from the "Phantom Blood" and "Stardust Crusaders" arcs.

It is a 2D fighter with a unique style that reflects the artistic flair of the manga.

This is often considered one of the best games in the series.

It features an extensive roster from multiple parts of the series and utilizes a stand-based combat system, which is a core element of JoJo's lore.

This game encompasses characters from all parts of the manga, featuring a mix of 2D and 3D graphics.

The gameplay includes stunning visuals styled after the manga, along with a story mode that allows players to experience various arcs.

Featuring a 3D arena style, this game allows cooperative play and includes a diverse cast from the series, with an original storyline that allows characters from different arcs to interact.

This title is a multiplayer game where players team up as various characters from the series to fight against others in a unique arena setting.

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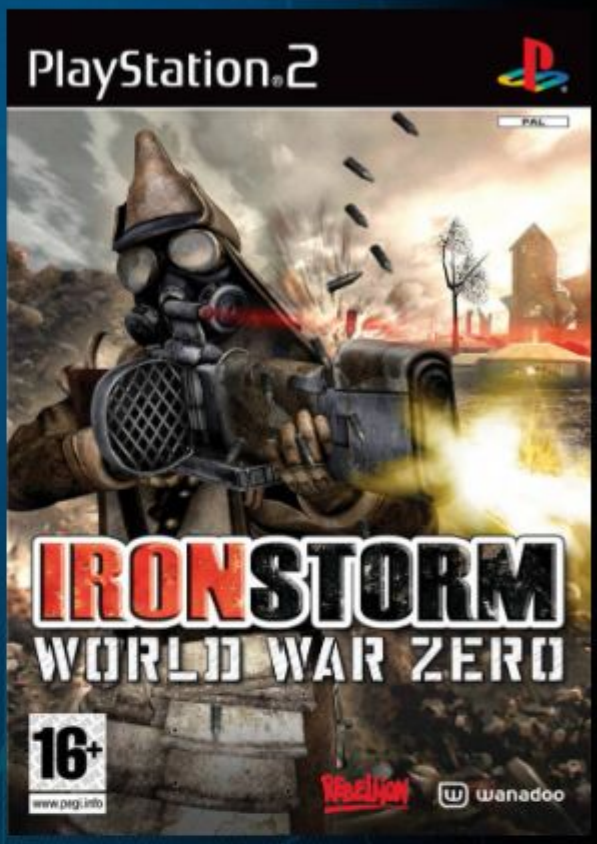
"Iron Storm" is a video game that was released in 2002, set in an alternate history where World War I never ended and continued into the 1960s.



The game's plot envisions a world heavily influenced by the protracted conflict, which has resulted in technological advancements and a grim, war-torn environment.

In this alternate timeline, countries are embroiled in a continuous struggle, and players step into the shoes of a soldier navigating through this dystopian landscape.

The game blends elements of first-person shooters and tactical gameplay, with a focus on stealth, strategy, and combat against various factions.

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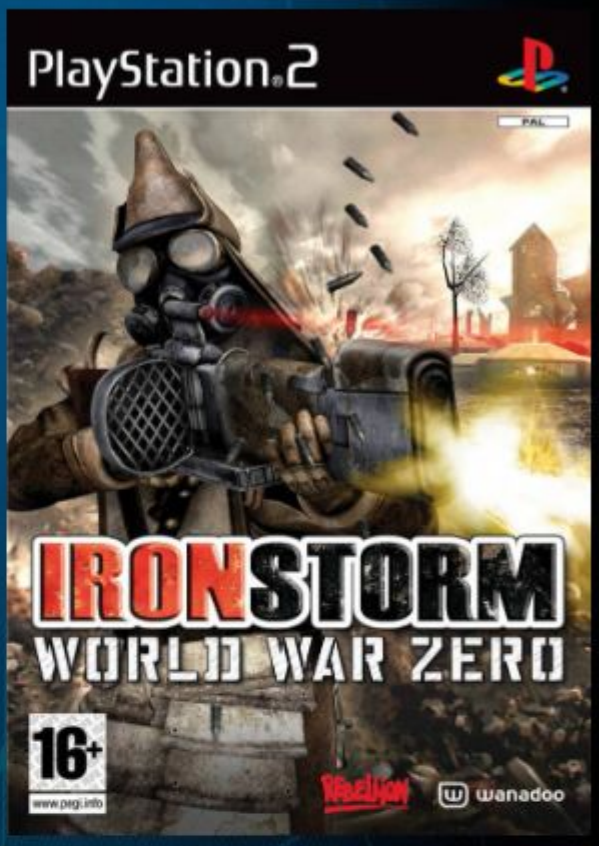
The "World War Zero" subtitle is a reference to the unique premise of the game, illustrating that the conflict has altered the course of history in a significant way, leading to a brutal and relentless military environment.

The game is known for its atmospheric setting and engaging storytelling, which explores themes of war and its effects on society and individuals.



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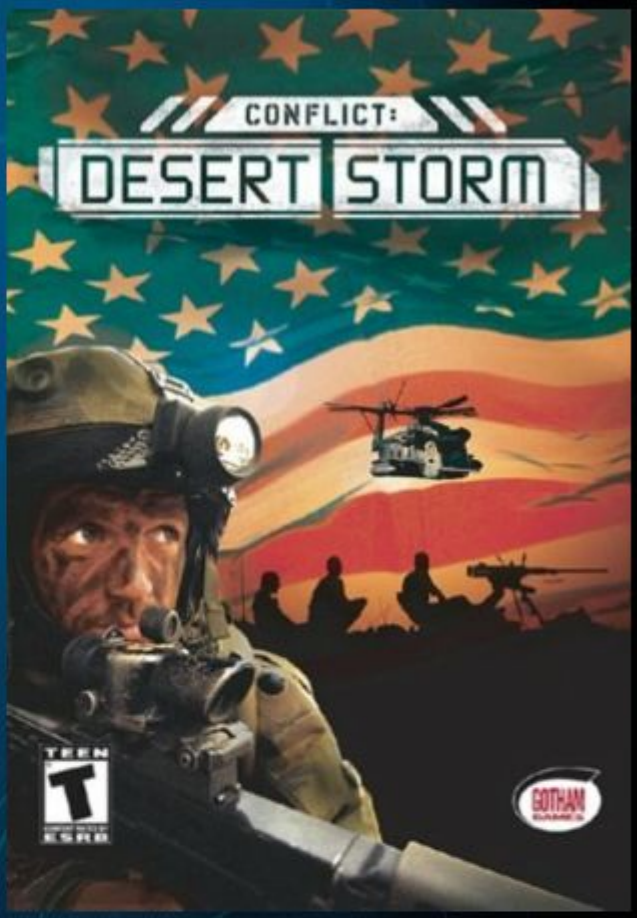

"Conflict: Desert Storm" is a tactical shooter video game developed by Pivotal Games and published by Codemasters.

Released for multiple platforms, including PlayStation 2, Xbox, and PC in 2002, the game is set during the Gulf War and presents a fictionalized account of the conflict, allowing players to take on the roles of special forces operatives.

Squad-Based Tactics**: Players control a four-man team consisting of different military roles, including a rifleman, a sniper, a demo expert, and a medic.

Each character has unique abilities that contribute to the team dynamic.

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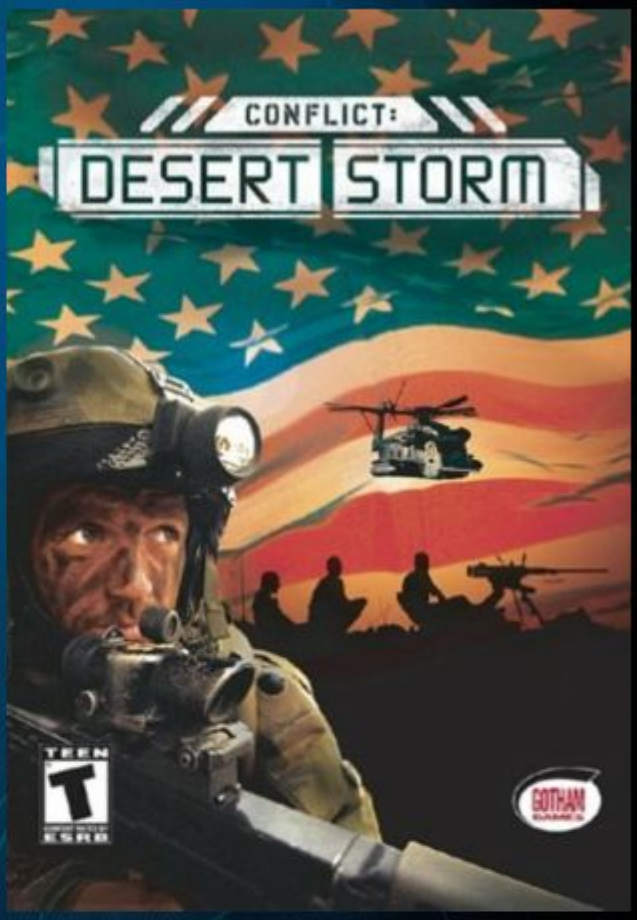

Tactical Gameplay**: The game emphasizes strategic planning, allowing players to approach missions from multiple angles.

Players can issue commands to their squad members, and stealth is often a viable option.

The game consists of various missions that take place in different environments, from deserts to urban areas.

Tasks include reconnaissance, sabotage, and direct assaults on enemy positions.

- Missions often have multiple objectives that players can tackle in various orders, adding replayability and allowing for different tactical approaches.

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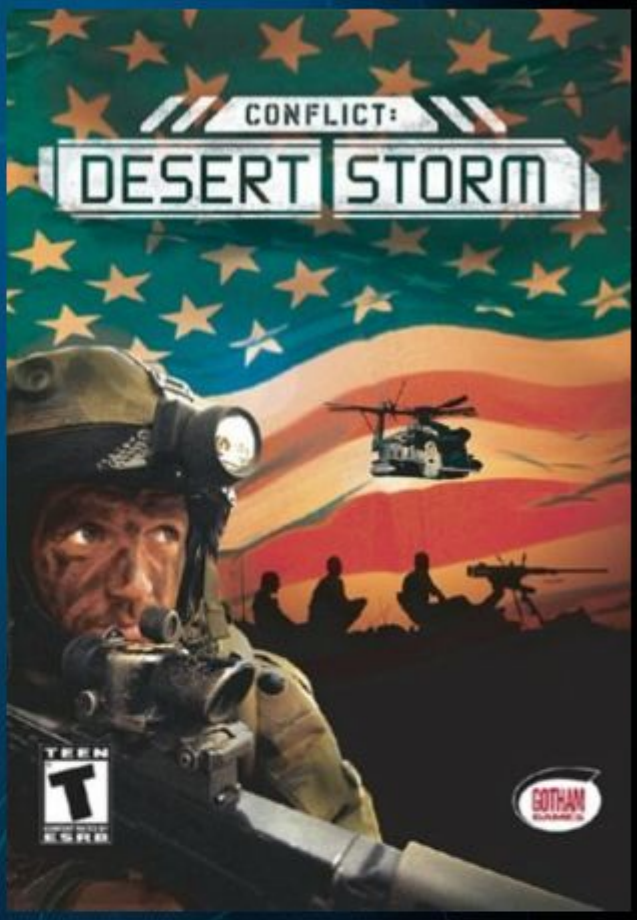

"Conflict: Desert Storm" features co-op gameplay, allowing two players to work together in completing missions.

It also includes multiplayer modes for competitive play.

While the game takes liberties with historical accuracy, it captures the feel of modern military operations.

The environments are designed to reflect the geography and architecture of the Gulf region during the conflict.

At its release, the game showcased impressive graphics for the time, with detailed character models and environments.

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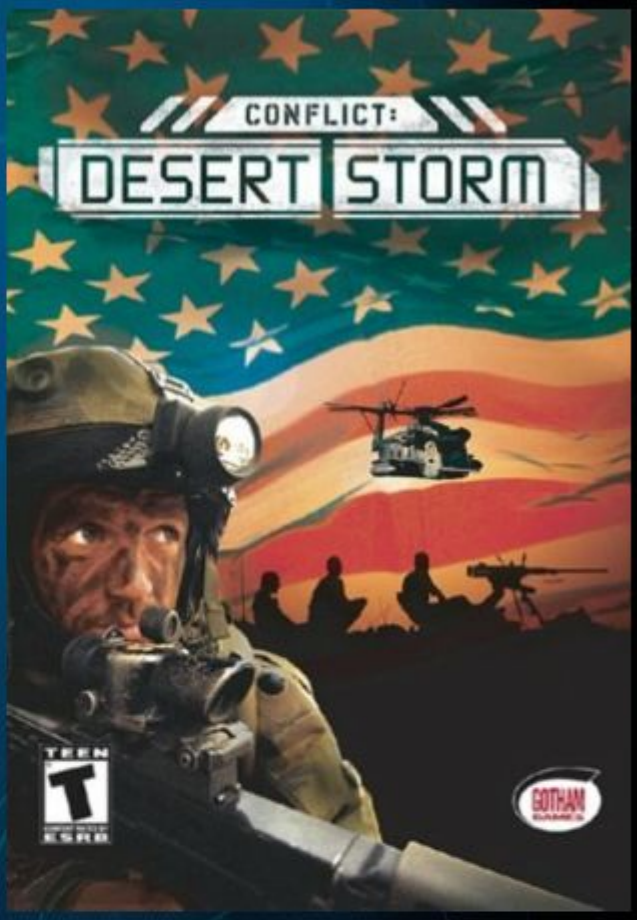

The success of "Conflict: Desert Storm" led to the development of several sequels:

Conflict: Desert Storm II - Back to Baghdad (2003)**: This sequel continued the story and improved gameplay mechanics.

Conflict: Global Terror (2005): A further installment that expanded the scope beyond the Gulf War to include modern conflict scenarios.

Conflict: Denied Ops (2008): A shift in gameplay focus with a different storyline and mechanics, moving away from the squad-based tactics of its predecessors.

Conflict: Desert Storm" received mixed to positive reviews upon its release.

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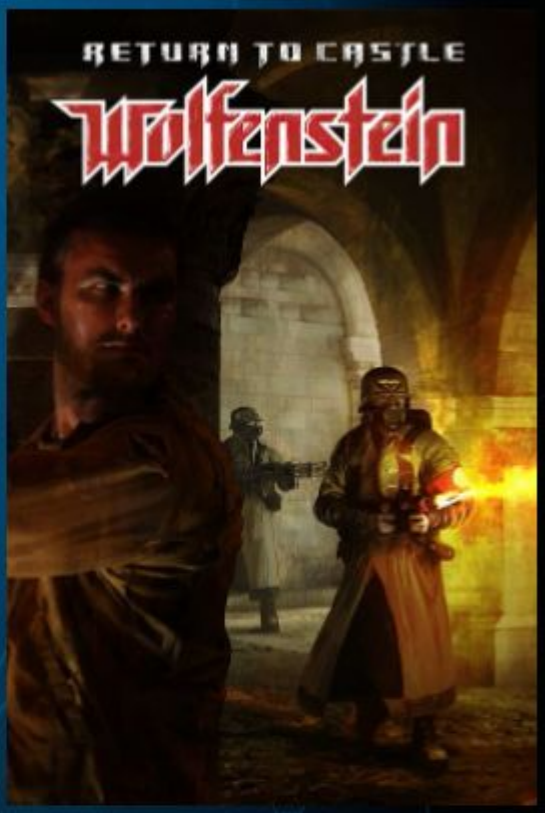

Return to Castle Wolfenstein is a first-person shooter video game developed by Gray Matter Interactive and published by id Software and Activision.

It was initially released in 2001 for Microsoft Windows, with later versions for PlayStation 2 and Mac OS.

Set during World War II, the game combines historical themes with supernatural and sci-fi elements. Players assume the role of B.J. Blazkowicz, an Allied soldier fighting against Nazi forces engaged in occult experiments and supernatural threats.

Gameplay Combines stealth, combat, and exploration.

Players can approach objectives via various tactics, including stealth or direct firefights.

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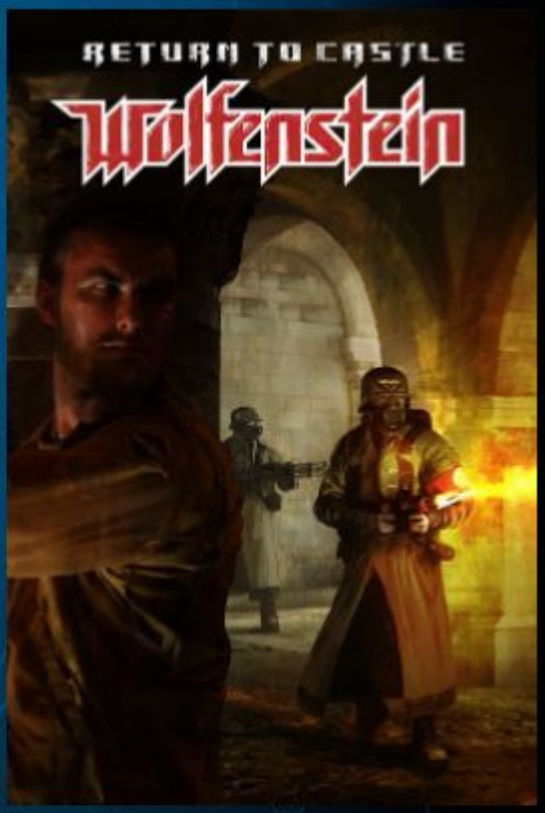
A wide arsenal typical of WWII games, including rifles, pistols, grenades, and specialized weapons.



Single-player Campaign: Features a narrative-driven story with missions set across Europe, focusing on uncovering Nazi supernatural experiments.

Return to castle wolfenstein Includes several multiplayer modes such as death match, team death match, and objective-based modes, which contributed to its popularity.

Return to castle wolfenstein is Known for its atmospheric design, immersive environments, and blending of realistic WWII settings with supernatural horror.

Served as a spiritual successor and reboot of the original Wolfenstein series, popularizing the franchise in the modern era.

"ReCore" is an action-adventure platformer video game developed by Comcept and Armature Studio, and published by Microsoft Studios.

It was initially released in September 2016 for Xbox One and Microsoft Windows, followed by a release on PlayStation 4 in 2018.

A post-apocalyptic desert planet called Far Eden.

Gameplay: Combines exploration, puzzle-solving, combat, and robot customization

Players control Joule and her team of ReCore robots, called Core Bots, each with unique abilities.

The game emphasizes building and upgrading your robots by collecting cores and modules.

- Combat involves battling hostile creatures and robots using a variety of weapons and tactics.

The game features a semi-open world environment with various dungeons, caves, and areas to explore.

The game was developed with a focus on innovative AI and robot mechanics.

- It received mixed reviews, with praise for its unique concept and visuals but criticism for its repetitive gameplay and technical issues.

Nioh is an action role-playing game developed by Team Ninja and published by Sony Interactive Entertainment.

It was first released in February 2017 for PlayStation 4, with later editions and ports for Windows PC and PlayStation 5.

Set during the Sengoku period 16th century infused with supernatural elements and yokai Japanese spirits and demons.

Gameplay Combines fast-paced combat, exploration, and challenging boss battles inspired by the Dark Souls series.

Nioh Intense Combat: Emphasizes precise timing, stamina management, and strategic use of weapons and skills.

Players can switch between various weapon stances to adapt to different combat situations.

Known for its high difficulty level, requiring players to learn enemy patterns and master combat mechanics.

The game Blends real historical figures and events with Japanese mythology and supernatural lore.

Nioh was praised for its challenging gameplay, intricate combat system, and rich historical/mythological setting.

It is often recommended for fans of challenging action games and Soulslike titles.

If you enjoy difficult combat, Japanese folklore, and immersive action Role Playing Games, Nioh offers a compelling and rewarding experience.

Super Bomberman is a classic and popular video game franchise developed by Hudson Soft (later by Konami) that features strategic maze-based gameplay centered around players deploying bombs to eliminate enemies and obstacles.

The core gameplay involves navigating through grid-like levels, placing bombs to destroy blocks, defeat opponents, and clear paths, all while avoiding being caught in the blast radius.

Bomberman is recognized as a pioneer in multiplayer gaming, influencing many party-style games and maze-based multiplayer titles.

Its simple yet addictive gameplay has kept it popular across generations.